



Retailers and Distributors

What the California Appliance Efficiency Regulations Mean to Your Business

What You Need to Know

If you sell, or offer for sale, new appliances or devices that use electricity, natural gas, or water to California customers, then the California Energy Commission's Appliance Efficiency Regulations* likely apply to you. Whether you sell to consumers, retailers, or installers, it's important that the regulated products you sell are listed in the Energy Commission's Appliance Efficiency Database.

Why does this matter to me?

Only regulated products that have been tested, certified, and listed in the appliance efficiency database may be legally sold or offered for sale in California.

How do I know if a product complies?

Manufacturers must test products regulated by the Appliance Efficiency Regulations using required test methods and certify the results to the Energy Commission. Once the Commission has verified that a product meets the requirements, the product is entered into the appliance efficiency database, which is found at <https://cacertappliances.energy.ca.gov/Login.aspx>. The database allows for verification of which regulated product models are legal to sell, or offer for sale, in California. If the model number is listed, it's legal.

What types of products do the Appliance Efficiency Regulations cover?

The regulations cover product categories which include:

- Air conditioners, heaters, and fans
- Battery charger systems
- Clothes washers and dryers
- Cooking products and food service equipment
- Dishwashers
- Distribution transformers
- Electric motors
- Lighting products
- Plumbing fittings and fixtures
- Pool and spa equipment
- Refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers
- Televisions and consumer audio and video equipment
- Water heaters

Learn more

Detailed information about the Appliance Efficiency Program and the Appliance Efficiency Regulations are located online at www.energy.ca.gov/appliances.

For specific questions, please contact appliances@energy.ca.gov.

Why does California require that products meet stringent efficiency standards?

California's Appliance Efficiency Program, established in 1976, has reduced energy and water consumption, and has helped stabilize per-capita electricity consumption at a time when electricity use in the United States has grown by 60 percent per person.

*California Code of Regulations, Title 20, Sections 1601-1609.



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